

1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
2	DISTRICT OF NEVADA	
3	LAKETHA MOORE,	Case No. 2:24-cv-00497-APG-MDC
4	Plaintiff	ORDER
5	v.	
6	WILLIAM REUBART, et al.,	
7	Defendants	
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9 This action began with a pro se civil-rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983
 10 submitted by state prisoner Laketha Moore together with an application to proceed *in*
 11 *forma pauperis* ("IFP"). (ECF Nos. 1-1, 1). The IFP application is incomplete because
 12 Plaintiff did not submit a financial certificate and an inmate trust fund account statement
 13 for the previous six-month period with it. (See ECF No. 1). The Court grants Plaintiff an
 14 extension of time to either pay the full \$405 filing fee or complete the IFP application by
 15 filing with the Court a financial certificate and an inmate trust fund account statement.

16 **I. DISCUSSION**

17 The United States District Court for the District of Nevada must collect filing fees
 18 from parties initiating civil actions. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). As of December 1, 2023, the fee
 19 for filing a civil-rights action is \$405, which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$55
 20 administrative fee. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(b). "Any person who is unable to prepay the
 21 fees in a civil case may apply to the court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*." Nev.
 22 LSR 1-1. For an inmate to apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit **all**
 23 **three** of the following documents to the Court: (1) a completed **Application to Proceed**
 24 ***in Forma Pauperis for Inmate***, which is pages 1–3 of the Court's approved form, that is
 25 properly signed by the inmate twice on page 3; (2) a completed **Financial Certificate**,
 26 which is page 4 of the Court's approved form, that is properly signed by both the inmate
 27 and a prison or jail official; and (3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund**
 28 **account statement for the previous six-month period**. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1)–

1 (2); Nev. LSR 1-2. *In forma pauperis* status does not relieve an inmate of his or her
2 obligation to pay the filing fee, it just means that the inmate can pay the fee in installments.
3 See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b).

4 **II. CONCLUSION**

5 It is therefore ordered that Plaintiff has **until July 19, 2024**, to either pay the full
6 \$405 filing fee or file a completed financial certificate that is signed both by the inmate
7 and the prison or jail official and a copy of the inmate's trust fund account statement for
8 the previous six-month period.

9 Plaintiff is cautioned that this action will be subject to dismissal without prejudice if
10 Plaintiff fails to timely comply with this order. A dismissal without prejudice allows Plaintiff
11 to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff can file a
12 complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pay the required filing fee.

13 The Clerk of the Court is directed to send Plaintiff Laketha Moore the approved
14 form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* for an inmate and instructions for the same
15 and retain the complaint (ECF No. 1-1) but not file it at this time.

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17 DATED THIS 20th day of May 2024.

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20 Hon. Maximiliano D. Couvillier III
21 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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